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This book introduces young readers to the world of Native American literature. The book traces the songs, chants, and ancient stories of the Native American spoken tradition that had existed for thousands of years before Europeans came to America up to the present time, when Native American writers continue to explore both their heritage and their contemporary experiences and visions in novels, poems, and plays. Chapters in the book are: (1) "The First American Authors"; (2) "The Oral Tradition"; (3) "Early Writers"; (4) "Indian Writers 1900-1967"; and (5) "Literary Explosion: 1968 to the Present." A picture essay illustrates the painting tradition of Native Americans. A glossary of relevant terms and a chronology are also included. (NKA)

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